

October 15, 2023  
20th Sunday after Pentecost



St. Timothy Presbyterian Church  
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Office Hours:  
Monday-Thursday: 9:30 am to 2:30 pm  
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St. Timothy Mission Statement  
Empowered by the Holy Spirit, our mission is to: seek God, follow Christ, serve and love our neighbor.

Worship is also available via Live Stream just before 10:30 am or later in the afternoon as a video. Just use this link for both options:  
<https://video.sttimothypcusa.org>

# Welcome!

PRELUDE

INTROIT

PASTORAL WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 106:1-3

Praise the LORD.

**Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.**  
Who can proclaim the mighty acts of the LORD or fully declare his praise?

**Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.**  
Blessed are they who maintain justice, who constantly do what is right.  
**Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.**

HYMN

“Sweet Hour of Prayer”

see insert

CALL TO CONFESSION

SILENT CONFESSION

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy God, you are the Lord our God, who brought us out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. And yet our trust in you is fragile, easily crushed by our bent toward indifference— the dismissal of your faithfulness as a result of our forgetfulness. Forgive us for what we have done and for abandoning the pathway you desire for us. Be our guide and conscience. Turn our feet and hands to your will, that all we do might give glory to you. Amen.**

\*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Beloved, hear the good news of the Gospel: Jesus Christ came to stand in the breach to reconcile us to God. Know and believe that we are forgiven and freed!

**Amen and Alleluia!**



RESPONSE “Gloria Patri” # 623  
*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.*

A MOMENT FOR ILLUMINATION

Leader: Thy Word is a Lamp unto my feet, and a Light unto my path.

**People: Thy Word is a Lamp unto my feet, and a Light unto my path.**

GOSPEL READING: John 13:33-35

SPECIAL MUSIC “Untitled Hymn – (Come to Jesus)” Rice

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN Kathey Turnbull

EPISTLE READING Philippians 2:19-30

INTERACTIVE SERMON Pastor Joel Puntigam  
“Models of Christlike Love”

HYMN “Leaning on the Everlasting Arms” see insert

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Shorter Catechism*  
Q27: What did Christ’s humiliation consist of?

**A: Christ’s humiliation consisted of his being born, and that in a low condition, made under the law, undergoing the miseries of this life, the wrath of God, and the curse death of the cross, in being buried, and continuing under the power of death for a time.**

Q28: What did Christ’s exaltation consist of?

**A: Christ’s exaltation consisted of his rising again from the dead on the third day, in ascending up into heaven, in sitting at the right hand of God the Father, and in coming to judge the world at the last day.**

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

Doxology # 625  
*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**O Holy God, you are our provider. We offer all that we have and all that we are to you, because we belong to you. Bless these gifts, and empower us, your church, that through the work of your Spirit we may be a refuge for the needy in their distress, a shelter from the storm, and a shade from the heat. Through Christ, our shield and our stronghold we pray. Amen.**

CALL TO PRAYER

*Day by day, day by day, O, dear Lord, three things I pray: To see Thee more clearly, Love Thee more dearly, Follow Thee more nearly, Day by day.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please step up to the microphone to make your announcement so everyone (including online guests) can hear what is being said.*

HYMN “In His Time” see insert

SENDING AND BENEDICTION

**Empowered by the Holy Spirit, our mission is to: seek God, follow Christ, serve and love our neighbor.**

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

*The Spirit sends us forth to serve;  
we go in Jesus’ name to bring glad tidings to the poor,  
God’s favor to proclaim.*

POSTLUDE

*\*Feasting on the Word Worship Companion: Liturgies for Year A, Volume 2.*

## Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup> Following Along in Worship

1. Last week we learned that:
  - a. Worship is about us.
  - b. Grumbling is the opposite of humility.
  - c. God's party will include tacos and pizza. Coke, no Pepsi.
2. What was the Time for the Children about today?
  - a. Ultimate Showdown: Summer vs Winter
  - b. Serving others like Jesus did
  - c. The historical evidence for the resurrection
3. What can you do to serve others like Jesus?
4. In the sermon, Pastor Joel will teach from Philippians 3:19-30. Please circle all that are true:
  - a. Paul uses two examples of people who served Jesus well:
    - i. Abbot and Costello
    - ii. Timothy and Epaphroditus
    - iii. Calvin and Hobbes
    - iv. Scooby Doo and Shaggy
  - b. These examples include:
    - i. Showing genuine care about others
    - ii. Eating leftovers
    - iii. Helping out even at the risk of one's own life
    - iv. Riding rollercoasters
  - c. A way to react to others serving like Jesus is:
    - i. Ah, whatever!
    - ii. JOY!!
5. Every week we have announcements. Some given today include:
  - a. CROP Walk was super great. Thanks everyone!
  - b. All must prepare for an upcoming Cosmic showdown
  - c. Trunk or Treat is October 28<sup>th</sup>
  - d. Communion will now include a side of fries

## Serving in Worship This Morning

Greeter:	Marlene and Chris Korne
Ushers:	Youth
Worship Assistant:	Youth
Vocal Soloist:	Matt Johnson
Keyboard:	Linda Delezenne
Technology:	Tina Puntigam
Safety Officer:	Dennis Delezenne
Tellers:	Paula Boegner, Kim Gaines
Fellowship Hour:	Faith Education – Youth Appreciation

### Weekly Bible Studies

#### Adult Sunday Bible Study – approximately 12:15 pm.

We are studying Exodus in Room 14. All are welcome!

#### Zoom Bible Study – 12:00 pm on Monday

We are studying the book of James.

This is the link address to join: <https://study.sttimothypcusa.org>

#### Adult Weekly Bible Study, Thursday – 9:30 am

Our study is on the passage that Pastor Joel will be preaching on October 22 – Philippians 3:1-16.

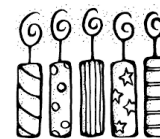


Chancel Flowers



Thankful for St. Timothy and its support of Crop Walk  
Carol Prevost

### Celebrating



#### Birthdays:

October 20

Kathy Sautter

#### Anniversaries:

No anniversaries this week

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, October 15 – Youth Appreciation Sunday

Tuesday, October 17 – Ladies Frankenmuth Trip

Saturday, October 21 – Church Clean Up Day

Saturday, October 28 – Trunk or Treat

Sunday, November 12 – Stewardship Sunday

Sunday, November 12 – Friendship Club

## APPRECIATION



Today is Youth Appreciation Sunday. We have four young people to celebrate: Jillian Sautter, Lexi Barsch, Max Gulyas and Mitchell Sautter. They have all been at St. Timothy for most of their lives, and all have been baptized here!



Fellowship Hour is such a nice time to gather with everyone after service. A few special days for the fall:

- October 22 – Bring a dish that starts with your first or last initial
- November 5 is “whatever goes” - bring what you want



When: Tuesday October 17

Where: Frankenmuth

Time: Meet at the church at 8:30 am and leave by 9:00 am

Things to do: Bronner’s Christmas Store, eat Chicken Dinner, shop downtown, take a boat ride – basically whatever you want to do with friends.

Sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall



DATE: – Saturday, October 21

Time: 9:00 am until early afternoon

What: jobs inside and out!

Please bring: electric hedge trimmers, rakes, shovels and wheelbarrows (if you have them).

Enjoy...

- Fresh air, fellowship and exercise
- Donuts, coffee and lunch
- Job. Well. Done.



The Mission/Outreach Committee is hosting a community Trunk or Treat on Saturday, October 28th from 4-6pm. This is always a time of great fellowship. Join the festivities and pass out goodies from your car. Donations of candy will be needed. There is a sign up in the fellowship hall. After the event, dinner will be served to those who helped out with the event.



### 2023 Chancel Flower Chart

We still have a few dates left for 2023. Please consider signing up for a Sunday or two. Adding some beauty and color to our sanctuary on Sunday mornings is so special!

The 2024 schedule will be available in November.

### Church Photo Directory



Say Cheese! It's time for a new photo directory. This time we are trying something fun and different. Take a selfie while on vacation or while you are relaxing at home. Maybe in front of your favorite flowers or with your pet. Use your imagination. Close-up photos are better, we want to see your face(s). E-mail the photo to the church. If you need help we will take the photo for you. Any questions talk to Mary or Dennis.

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# Church Weekly Schedule

Sunday	9:45 AM	Music Rehearsal
10/15	10:30 AM	<i>Family Worship</i>
	11:30 AM	Fellowship Hour
	12:15 PM	<i>Adult Bible Study</i>
Monday	12:00 PM	Zoom Adult Bible Study
10/16		<a href="https://study.sttimothyPCUSA.org">https://study.sttimothyPCUSA.org</a>
	6:00 PM	<i>TOPS</i>
Tuesday	6:45 & 8:15 AM	Prayer and Praise Call
10/17		202-926-1029 - access code 235645
	9:00 AM	<i>STARS</i>
	All Day	Ladies Frankenmuth Trip
Wednesday		
10/18		
Thursday	9:30 AM	Thursday Morning Bible Study
10/19	5:55 PM	<i>Handbell Rehearsal</i>
Friday		
10/20		
Saturday	8:30 AM	Men's Breakfast
10/21	9:00 AM	<i>Church Clean Up Day</i>
Sunday	10:00 AM	Handbell Rehearsal
10/22	10:30 AM	<i>Family Worship</i>
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Do you have someone that is in need of prayer? Put their name on a prayer ribbon and tie it to the fence out front. Write your concerns and worries and give them to God. Give Him thanks and praises. The prayer ribbons are a spiritual and awesome sight to see fluttering in the wind. Ribbons are on the table in the main entry.



## *Sweet Hour of Prayer*

*Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer,  
That calls me from a world of care,  
And bids me at my Father's throne  
Make all my wants and wishes known:  
In seasons of distress and grief  
My soul has often found relief,  
And oft escaped the tempt-er's snare  
By thy return, sweet hour of prayer.*

*Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer,  
Thy wings shall my petition bear  
To Him whose truth and faithfulness  
Engage the waiting soul to bless:  
And since He bids me seek His face,  
Believe His Word, and trust His grace,  
I'll cast on Him my ev'ry care,  
And wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer.*

## *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms*

*What a fellowship, what a joy divine,  
Leaning on the everlasting arms;  
What a blessedness, what a peace is mine,  
Leaning on the everlasting arms.  
Leaning, leaning, Safe and secure from all alarms;  
Leaning, leaning, Leaning on the everlasting arms.*

*O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,  
Leaning on the everlasting arms;  
O, how bright the path grows from day to day,  
Leaning on the everlasting arms.  
Leaning, leaning, Safe and secure from all alarms;  
Leaning, leaning, Leaning on the everlasting arms.  
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*What have I to dread, what have I to fear,  
Leaning on the everlasting arms?  
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,  
Leaning on the everlasting arms.  
Leaning, leaning, Safe and secure from all alarms;  
Leaning, leaning, Leaning on the everlasting arms.*

## *In His Time*

*In his time, in his time;  
he makes all things beautiful in his time.  
Lord, please show me every day as you're teaching me your way,  
that you do just what you say in your time.*

*In your time, in your time;  
you make all things beautiful in your time.  
Lord, my life to you I bring;  
may each song I have to sing  
be to you a lovely thing in your time.*